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The specification has been amended pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(d) to incorporate the Sequence Listing and sequence identifiers corresponding to the Sequence Listing submitted herewith.

On page 10, the specification has been amended to correct an inadvertent typographical error. (The abbreviation "Nati." was inadvertently substituted for the abbreviation "Natl.".)

On page 28, the specification has been amended to correct an inadvertent typographical error. (The word "homolgy" was inadvertently substituted for the word "homology".)

On page 39, the specification has been amended to correct an inadvertent typographical error. (The word "complementarily" was inadvertently substituted for the word "complementarity".)

On page 63, the specification has been amended to correct two inadvertent typographical errors. (The word "synthese" was inadvertently substituted for the word "synthase" and the word "succlone" was inadvertently substituted for the word "subclone".)

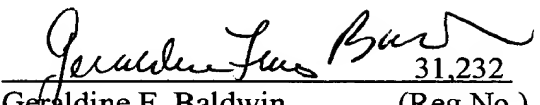
Claim 2 has been amended to correct an inadvertent typographical error. (A period was inadvertently omitted from the end of the claim.)

Claim 6 has been amended to correct an inadvertent typographical error. (The word "claim" was inadvertently omitted before the number "5".)

The amendments are fully supported by the instant specification and do not constitute new matter. Applicants respectfully request the entry of the Sequence Listing, submitted herewith, and the amendments and remarks made herein into the file history of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment:

Exhibit A: Marked up version of replacement paragraphs of the specification
Exhibit B: Marked up version of the amended claims
Exhibit C: Copy of the first page of the Office Action mailed June 6, 2001
Exhibit D: Copy of the Response to Notice to File Missing Parts, with accompanying
Declaration and Power of Attorney, filed December 15, 2000